



# **Kindness Codes for Social Media**

Below are a few examples of our Free Group / Closed Classroom Kindness Codes for social media use. We try to keep it simple, with a focus on positive interactions and experiences for everyone. Here at Say Yes Dog Training, we train dogs and people using positive reinforcement and learning is enjoyable. Interaction on social media should be a safe and enjoyable too.

Looking for the good in everything your dog does in your dog training life can carry over into all areas of your life. Susan Garrett

### FREE Group ~ Kindness Code

Welcome to our "Free Dog Training Workshop". The focus of this FB group is to discuss current training videos and methodology posted by Susan Garrett and the Say Yes Dog Training Team.

- \*\*Please read the details of our Kindness Code Below\*\*
  - This particular group focuses on the dog training program of Susan Garrett. Throughout the year we will share with you some of our Games of Choice, games that I have designed and taught worldwide over the past 25 years. Games that both dog owners and their dogs love to play! Games that trainers love to share.
  - Here our focus is on reinforcement and game-based learning. "This is scientific dog training that is proven to give you exactly what you need to help grow the confidence of your dog to become the dog of your dreams. We believe dog training that is congruent with the way you want to live your life, is dog training that will be consistent day in and day out for your dog. Our Say Yes team believes in reflecting these training values in the way we interact with people as well as dogs.
  - We really are looking forward to helping each and every one of you. What this group is "not" is a place to post; "Help, how do I get my dog to X or stop doing Y".
  - Think of dog training like erecting a building. Let's hope architects don't solicit ideas as they progress along with that building of that high rise...but rather work from a proven set of well thought out plans that will give them a solid foundation and a final structure that will last a lifetime. The same is true with good dog training...we start with the foundational layers first and grow from there.
  - We want to build your confidence and your dog's confidence in all you endeavour to do together. What you will find from myself and my fabulous "Say Yes" team is information on these foundational layers of learning for both you and your dog.

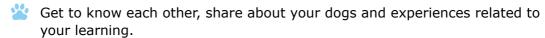
This Kindness Code makes our group a safe place to visit and solicit questions about our dog training. However, we ask that you reflect these core values back to us.

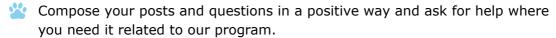
- Susan and the Say Yes Team (www.susangarrett.com)

## **Closed Group ~ Kindness Code: Detailed**

Our group is a closed group designed to help members further their experience by supporting each other and sharing stories and photos (we LOVE to see your dogs!) in a community that is based on positive reinforcement.

Our kindness code for this closed Facebook group is simple:





- Questions specific to the classroom and learning are best asked on the website where everyone will benefit. Not everyone is on Facebook, and posts are not as easily searchable or saveable for a knowledge base.
- Please be inclusive in your posts. We welcome your dog training knowledge, ideas and suggestions and we want everyone to benefit from them. Private message comments exclude the community from your great insight and ideas you might have to share.
- We want to focus discussions on positive change for trainers and dogs. We want people to spend time training and surrounding themselves with positive reinforcement so discussions on the use of punishment in any form, verbal or physical will be reviewed. Threads that venture into these discussions may be deleted as our mission is to help as many owners and dogs around the world learn a different and proven way to grow a new understanding through kind, thoughtful discussions of "choice based" dog training.

Kindness is our guiding light when our administrators/moderators review posts.

From this perspective, each of us will know that we have support, community and a "safe place" to visit when on Facebook.

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## **Closed Group ~ Kindness Code: Simple Format**

WELCOME! To our community. This Facebook group is designed to be a community meeting place for everyone who has a current classroom membership.

This closed group is designed to help members further their classroom experience by supporting each other and sharing training stories in a community that is based on positive reinforcement.

Our web site is still the place where you will post your videos under the lesson you are working on for feedback. This allows people to follow the great training everyone is doing and the feedback given from instructors.

Our kindness code for this group is simple:

Get to know each other through joyous brags and lesson successes as they relate to your classroom progress.

Compose your posts and questions in a positive way and ask for help where you need it in relation to our lessons.

The website is active and a great place to ask specific questions on lessons, learning on specific lessons is best served on the website where everyone will benefit. Not everyone is on Facebook, and posts are not as easily searchable or savable for a knowledge base for all.

Kindness is our guiding light when our administrators/moderators review posts from this perspective, each of us will know, that we have support, community and a "safe place" to visit when on Facebook.

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### Kindness Code ~ Refocus Post

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Morning everyone, we want to refocus this group to all things classroom related.

This closed Facebook group is designed to help members further their classroom experience by supporting each other and sharing focused training stories in a community that is based on positive reinforcement.

Enjoy each other's company, experiences and support here - this is a "safe place" for you to visit when you are on Facebook.

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"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." - Aesop

